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- 6. [X] Comments:

There are two clerical errors in the International Search Report. "EP 380348 A2" and "EP 10-203994 A" should read as "EP 380343 A2" and "JP 10-203994 A". These corrections are noted on the attached copy of the International Search Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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